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SYSTEMS INTEGRATION WORK GROUP MEETS NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 1

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – The Commissioner's Systems Integration Work Group will meet Wednesday, November 30 and Thursday, December 1 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. ET in the State Board Room, 5th floor – Room 514, at the Kentucky Department of Education's new location, 300 Sower Blvd. in Frankfort.

The Accountability Work Groups, as support to the Accountability Steering Committee, will design various elements of Kentucky's new school accountability system under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) – the new federal law governing public education. Each group will focus on a specific area of the system including assessment, college- and career-readiness, educational innovations, opportunity and access, and school improvement. All groups will consider overarching themes, such as how to close the achievement gap. The Systems Integration Work Group will take all of the individual recommendations from the work groups and develop them into a coherent accountability system.

The Accountability Steering Committee will in turn make recommendations on the overall system to Commissioner of Education Stephen Pruitt. The Kentucky Board of Education must approve any changes in the accountability system. The current timeline calls for the new system to be in place for the 2017-18 school year.

A full agenda follows:

Commissioner's Systems Integration Work Group November 30 and December 1, 2016 300 Sower Boulevard 5th Floor, State Board Room (#514) Frankfort, KY 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. ET

- I. Welcome and introductions
- II. Generating additional details regarding proposed system
- III. Discussing presentation for Accountability Steering Committee meetings January 9-10, 2017
- IV. Discussing next steps for Systems Integration Work Group
- V. Adjournment

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